UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO EASTERN DIVISION

| ROBERT PLAZA, |) Case No. 1:07 CV 674 |
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| Petitioner, |) Judge Dan Aaron Polster |
| vs. |) <u>MEMORANDUM OF OPINION</u>) AND ORDER |
| STUART HUDSON, |) AND ORDER) |
| |) |
| Respondent. |) |

Before the Court is the Amended Report and Recommendation of Magistrate

Judge filed on March 26, 2008 ("Amended R&R") (ECF No. 33). Pending is the Petition Under

28 U.S.C. § 2254 for Writ of Habeas Corpus by a Person in State Custody ("the Petition)

(ECF No. 1), as well as Respondent's Motion to Dismiss Habeas Petition as Time-Barred

("Respondent's Motion") (ECF No. 9). On March 4, 2008, the Magistrate Judge issued a Report
and Recommendation urging the Court to grant Respondent's Motion and dismiss the Petition as
time-barred (ECF No. 20). Subsequently, there was a flurry of litigation activity resulting in the
issuance of the Amended R&R on March 26 wherein the Magistrate Judge again recommended
that the Court grant Respondent's Motion and dismiss the Petition as time-barred. (See ECF
Nos. 25-34.) On March 28, 2008, the Court granted Petitioner an extension of time until April
28, 2008 to file objections to the Amended R&R. (ECF No. 34.)

Petitioner Robert Plaza challenges his conviction for rape on twenty separate constitutional grounds. (Petition 6-21.) Additionally, he asks the Court to stay the Petition

while he exhausts his state court remedies (i.e., a delayed petition for postconviction relief) for being "unavoidably prevented from discovery" on another five issues. (Id. 21-28.)

In the Amended R&R, the Magistrate Judge recommended that the Petition be denied as time-barred under the AEDPA one-year statute of limitations. The Magistrate Judge determined that neither statutory tolling, equitable tolling, nor the actual innocence exception to AEDPA limitation period could save the Petition.

Under the relevant statute:

Within <u>ten days</u> after being served with a copy, any party may serve and file written objections to such proposed findings and recommendations as provided by rules of court. A judge of the court shall make a *de novo* determination of those portions of the report or specified proposed findings or recommendations to which objection is made.

28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(C) (1988) (emphasis added). Here, the Court gave Petitioner <u>33 days</u> to file objections to the Amended R&R. (ECF No. 34.) It is now <u>42 days</u> after the Amended R&R was issued and Petitioner has neither filed objections nor requested an extension of time to file them.

The failure to timely file written objections to a Magistrate Judge's report and recommendation waives district court review, under a *de novo* or any other standard, of an issue that is not the subject of an objection. *Thomas v. Arn*, 474 U.S. 140, 149-52 (1985); *United States v. Walters*, 638 F.2d 947, 949 (6th Cir. 1981).

The Court has reviewed the Magistrate Judge's comprehensive, well-written

Amended R&R and agrees with the Magistrate Judge's conclusions. Accordingly, the Court

hereby ADOPTS the Amended R&R (ECF No. 33), GRANTS Respondent's Motion (ECF No.

9) and DISMISSES WITH PREJUDICE the Petition (ECF No. 1).

IT IS SO ORDERED.

/s/ Dan Aaron Polster May 7, 2008
Dan Aaron Polster
United States District Judge